PRIVATEERING.

MESSAGE

FROM THE

PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES,

IN ANSWER TO

A resolution of the House calling for information on the question of privateering.

JUNE 11, 1856.—Referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs, and ordered to be printed.

To the House of Representatives:

I transmit a report from the Secretary of State, in answer to the resolution of the House of Representatives of the 29th ultimo.

Washington, June 3, 1856.

DEPARTMENT OF STATE,
Washington, June 3, 1856.

FRANKLIN PIERCE.

The Secretary of State, to whom was communicated the resolution of the House of Representatives of the 29th ultimo, requesting the President to communicate to that House, if consistent with the public interest, any information in his possession in regard to the action of the leading powers of Europe upon the question of privateering, and if notice of the action of the late conference at Paris thereon has been officially communicated to this government, has the honor to report that no information of the character called for by the resolution has been officially communicated by any foreign government to the government of the United States.

Respectfully submitted.

W. L. MARCY.

To the PRESIDENT.